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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE

NOTIFICATION.

(TARIFFS).

New Delhi, the 2nd April, 1949.

No. 7(1)-T.B./49.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Indian Tariff Act, 1934 (XXXII of 1934), the Central Government is pleased to increase the duties shown in the fourth column against Item Nos. 75(5), 75(6), 75(7) and 75(8) of the First Schedule to the said Act from 24 per cent. *ad valorem* and 36 per cent *ad valorem* to 60 per cent *ad valorem* and 70 per cent *ad valorem* respectively with effect from the 2nd April, 1949.

C. C. DESAI, Secy.

No. 7(1)-T.B./49.

Copy to all concerned.

By order, etc.,

W. A. ROSE, Under Secy.

#### RESOLUTION

##### TARIFFS

No. 7(1)-T.B./49.—The protection granted for the bicycle industry was due to lapse by the end of March 1949. In the light of various representations received the Government of India requested the Tariff Board to investigate and advise Government as to whether the protection should be continued or not and if it is to be continued as to the modifications, if any, in the quantum of protection that would be necessary.

2. The Board having considered the matter has submitted its Report to Government and has made the following recommendations:—

(i) The present duty of 24 per cent. *ad valorem* on British bicycles should be raised to 60 per cent. *ad valorem*.

(ii) The same rate of duty as on bicycles should be levied on bicycle parts and accessories.

(iii) In order to maintain the existing margin of preference under the Indo-British Trade Agreement, 1939, the corresponding duty on imports from countries other than the U. K. would work out to 72 per cent. *ad valorem*.

(iv) The proposed measure of protection should remain in force for a period of three years ending 31st March 1952.

(v) There are a few small units in Calcutta and East Punjab manufacturing bicycle parts and accessories. The East Punjab and West Bengal Governments should make an early survey of the conditions of these small units in their areas and, in co-operation with the Government of India as well as with the bigger units of the industry, arrange for technical supervision and supplies of gauges, raw materials and machinery to these small units.

(vi) Government should give facilities to the bicycle manufacturers for importing the component parts, such as freewheels, chains and ball bearings which are not manufactured in India.

(vii) Government Departments, Central as well as Provincial, should obtain their supplies of bicycles from the Indian factories, and this should be ensured by the issue of specific instructions.

(vii) Government should take steps to assist the small scale manufacturers of bicycle parts and accessories in the East Punjab by arranging to supply raw materials and also by organising the industry on co-operative lines. Arrangements should be made for procuring raw materials as well for sale of finished products through co-operative organisations.

(ix) All the units of the industry should be required to submit annual reports to the Tariff Board by the 31st January every year incorporating the relevant data as specified in paragraph 20 of the Tariff Board's Report.

3. Government have accepted recommendation (iv) and the necessary amendment has been made in the Indian Tariff Act.

4. Government also accept recommendations (i), (ii) and (iii) with the modification that the standard rate of duty should be increased to 70 per cent only instead of 72 per cent. The necessary notification under section 4(1) of the Indian Tariff Act raising the rates of duty accordingly has been issued.

5. Recommendation (v) will be brought to the notice of the Governments of West Bengal and East Punjab for such action as they consider necessary.

6. With regard to recommendation (vi), the parts mentioned have been included in the Open General Licence.

7. Government accept recommendations (vii) and (viii) and will take steps to implement them.

8. The attention of the industry is invited to recommendation (ix).

#### ORDER

ORDERED that a copy of this Resolution be communicated to all Provincial Governments, all Chief Commissioners, Ministry of External Affairs (External Affairs Wing), Ministry of External Affairs (Commonwealth Relations Wing), and the several Ministries of the Government of India, Prime Minister's Secretariat, Cabinet Sectt., the Private and Military Secretaries to His Excellency the Governor-General, the Central Board of Revenue, the Auditor General, the Director General of Employment and Resettlement, the Director General, Industry and Supply, the High Commissioner for India in London, Colombo, Ottawa, Karachi and Canberra, the Indian Ambassadors at Nauking, Moscow, Tehran, Kathmandu, Rangoon, Cairo, Kabul, Ankara, Washington, Prague, and Rio de Janeiro, Charge d' Affairs of India in Paris and Brussels, Envoys extraordinary and Ministers Plenipotentiary of India, Bangkok, and Bern; Consuls General for India in Batavia; Buenos Aires, Shanghai, Pondicherry, Saigon, Kashgir, New York, and San Francisco; The Deputy High Commissioner for India in Lahore, London and Dacca; The Secretary to the High Commissioner for India in the Union of South Africa, Johannesburg; Agents of the Government of India in Kandy and Kuala Lumpur; Consuls for

India at Saigon, Goa, and Jedda; Vice Consuls for India at Medan and Zebedan; The Indian Political Officer, Sikkim; The Representative of the Government of India in Singapore; The Commissioners for the Government of India in Trinidad, Nairobi, Mauritius, and Fiji; Head of the Indian Liaison Mission, Tokyo; Head of the Military Mission, Berlin; Indian Government Trade Commissioners in Toronto, Sydney, Mombassa, Colombo, Paris and Karachi; Assistant Indian Government Trade Commissioner, Dacca; Commercial Adviser to the High Commissioner in U. K., London; Commercial Secretaries to the Indian Embassies at Alexandria, Rio De Janeiro, Rangoon, Tehran and Kabul; Commissioner General for Commercial and Economic Affairs in Europe, Paris; His Majesty's Senior Trade Commissioner in India; United States Embassy, New Delhi; The Canadian Trade Commissioner in India; The Australian Trade Commissioner in India; The Norwegian Consul General, Bombay; The High Commissioner for Pakistan in India, New Delhi; The Directors of Industries of Saurashtra Union, Rajkot; the Union State of Matsya, Alwar; the United State of Vindhya Pradesh, Rewa; the United State of Rajasthan, Udaipur, Gwalior, Indore, Malwa Union, Gwalior; Patiala and East Punjab States Union, Patiala; Editor, Journal of Scientific and Industrial Research, P-Block, Raisina Road, New Delhi; Indian Consul of Agriculture Research; Indian Standard Institution, Delhi; Free India Service, Tamrind House, Tamrind Lane, Fort Bombay; the Economic Adviser to the Government of India; Economic Adviser to the Rajasthan Union; The Director General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, Calcutta; The Secretary, Indian Tariff Board, Bombay; The Secretary, Industrial Finance Corporation of India, New Delhi; and All recognised Chambers of Commerce and Trade Associations.

ORDERED that a copy be communicated to the Government of Burma.

ORDERED also that it be published in the Gazette of India.

C. C. DESAI, Secy.

